

The SCC Meeting was called to order at 6:07 and quorum was present.

#### **IN ATTENDANCE**

Tina Mandal Shelley Lywood Marianne Rogers Jessica Walters Kayleigh Cosgrave Cheryl Bevan Student Guest: Christina Lin Graham Sara-Kristin Doherty Wilson Tapabrata Neogi Fahima Islam Promita Bose Crystal Logan Amanda Henry Asim Masoodi Leslie Hederson Gina Donnelly Joanna Tryon

## **WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION**

- Land acknowledgement
- Human Rights Statement and Individual and Shared Responsibilities Statement

#### **ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT**

- Common Barriers to Inclusion in Schools
  - Being mindful of discrimination in racism, ableism, diverse communities, and trying to bring awareness to hateful discrimination
  - Human Rights are a part of everything we do, and we all have rights and responsibilities under the Human Rights Code
    - Links provided in Administrators report to resources and support
- Thank you to the SCC for the most recent Intermediate STEM workshops, movie nights, and drumming workshops
- Planning for the 2024-2025 school year
  - Survey did go out to families for their input on class placements (best types of learning environment, peers, type of teacher that each student may want for the next year



- Working with planning department on projected enrollment (as it is finalized classes may be added or removed as needed)
- Academics at Farewell
  - Goal 1: relates to student identity and intentionally selecting teaching strategies and resources to improve student achievement
  - Goal 2: focus on foundations of language (strand B of new language curriculum) and students being able to demonstrate increased skill and engagement
  - Working with staff to identify students who are struggling in writing and specific interventions that are being put in place
  - Working with literacy teams
  - Using PD day to assist staff with becoming familiar with implementing culturally relevant resources
  - Continued consideration of resources to support learning
- Reading Eggs to be used in FDK- Grade 3
- EQAO dates
  - o Grade 3- June 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup>
  - o Grade 6- May 27, 28th, 29th and 30th
- House Colour Relays were a success and were run to increase teamwork, and connectedness among students
- Positive School Climate Committee
  - Intermediate leaders presenting to grade 4 and 5 students for a half day related to bullying held on Feb 28<sup>th</sup>
- Positive School Climate Data survey was given to ALL students and feedback on inclusion and what improvements could be made to build a more positive climate going forward
  - Another survey will be conducted at the end of the year
- Parent Engagement Session, survey for enrollment was sent out
  - Centres being offered that all families can register for
    - Symmetry in dance- All ages
    - Button Making- All Ages
    - Ontario Teach- Primary/Junior
    - Primary Coding- FDK/Primary
    - Dash and Dot Robots- FDK/Primary
    - Woodworking- Junior/Intermediate
    - Make Do- Primary
    - Science of Ukelele- Primary/Junior



- Chemistry- Primary/Junior
- The Science of Germs- Primary/Junior
- Student Guest Speaker: Christina Wilson on the current things at Farewell and Thank you to SCC from the students
- Student Guest Speaker (video in Administrators Report) Elaine on Black Excellence month, Transgender Day of Visibility, and Intermediate Anti Bullying awareness initiatives

#### **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

- Approval of last meetings minutes motioned by Gina, Seconded by Leslie PASSED
- Thank you to SCC volunteers for your help in the kindness grams, movie nights, and healthy hunger events
- Updates:
  - o Intermediate students had their hands on STEM workshops in February
  - The drumming event was very successful
  - Outdoor speaker system acquired but took some time to troubleshoot but now up and running
  - Staff appreciated the kindness appreciation gram
- Proposal for Reading Eggs approved and motion was passed March 5<sup>th</sup> and a discount was refunded on approved amount
- Spotlight: Healthy Hunger
  - 47 completed events
  - o YTD \$20,040.11
  - o 84% of students are registered on healthy hunger
  - Participation is down from the fall, and projections for remainder of the year have been adjusted
- Kindness Grams \$1,210.53 in profits over 2,624 grams sold
  - This was especially successful as we had many smarties donated, to note for future fundraisers
  - The non candy option was about 20% of sales, and the whole class option was the most selected option
  - o Grams sold by grade was massively reduced in Intermediate students age groups
  - Overall participation was 27% versus last year at 32%
  - o Focus for future years: whole class option and to be hosted on school cash online
- Movie Nights were a hit with attending families



- o Pizza pre-orders were very low, potentially not worth it in the future
- Offer new released movies versus current student favourites
- o Profit \$1,063.61
- Second night (Mario Bros) was higher in cash sales
- If anyone has any items that fall in any of the spring raffle basket categories and donations welcome
  - Family Fun Night, Getting Crafty, Baking with Kids, STEM, Summer Adventures,
    Sports and Fitness, Feel-Good, Gift Cards Galore, Get Cooking, It's Snack Time
  - Looking for volunteers to run the raffle tables during the STEM night activities so that we can keep sales open during the event (\*note sign up link at end of section)
    - Assembly April 12<sup>th</sup> 4:00-7:00pm
    - Raffle Table April 17<sup>th</sup>
      - Setup 5:30-6:15pm
      - Ticket Sales and Cleanup 7:40-8:30pm (but looking to sales during event)
- Wednesday May 17<sup>th</sup> Great Beginnings 5:30-6:30 pm, looking for volunteers for a SCC information table
- Upcoming Dance-a-thon on May 31<sup>st</sup>
  - o All classes attended with DJ White
  - Students will be able to purchase glow items and snacks in preorder and during the event
  - Volunteers needed (\*note sign up link at end of section)
    - Preorder Assembly TBD
    - Setup 8:30-9
    - Snack Cart and Glow Stand 9:00-11:40 and/or 12:40-3:00
    - Cleanup 3:00-3:30
- Garden Spring and Summer Cleanup volunteers needed
  - Date sign up sheet
     <a href="https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/11785jVteNNIBNBNbm7-gy5u8dCXviDw0bEgTCD7-iN4/edit?usp=sharing">https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/11785jVteNNIBNBNbm7-gy5u8dCXviDw0bEgTCD7-iN4/edit?usp=sharing</a>
- Attendance on next meeting is very important as we will be voting on how to spend remaining SCC funds (Chromebooks, Junglesport balance, Intramurals, Benevolent refill, Literacy initiatives, End of year SCC giveback, Teacher appreciation)



\*Note: Volunteer Sign up sheet
 <a href="https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1B5qhELqtqTQZ7taZ4S6EQiyeOkzdv9u8umq-">https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1B5qhELqtqTQZ7taZ4S6EQiyeOkzdv9u8umq-</a>
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#### **FINANCIALS**

- Benevolent fund \$861.28
- General Account \$6,669.56

### **TEACHER AND FINANCIAL FUNDING REQUESTS**

- 4 new requests
  - Headphones
  - Butterflies
  - Jungle Sports
  - Garden
- Headphones: \$494.47 (\$30.71 each)
  - 15 plugged in headphones for Primary and Junior Students for EQAO testing and the new Reading Eggs program
  - These are tested to be of quality that lasts and better comfort than comparable headphones
- Butterflies \$ 163.08 (incl tax and shipping)
  - o 60 caterpillars and food to be divided between all Kindergarten classes
  - We already own and have the habitats
  - Opportunity to observe their life cycles
- Jungle Sports for 2025 \$1000 deposit now, total cost \$4,900
  - o April 7<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup> or April 28<sup>th</sup>-May 2nd
  - Provided to all grades
  - These dates have been chosen to be a 5 day week versus the 4 day week it happened to be last year and during a period of better weather as regular gym classes are displaced outdoors
- Garden \$200



- Garden beds need attention and donations from the community will be sought but gaps in donations may be needed
- o Ie: landscape fabric, soil, plants mulch, etc
- o There will be a schedule in the future to maintain the garden
- Total Requests \$1,857.55
- Balance after Requests \$4,812.01
- Motion to pass Butterflies request by Joanna seconded by Gina PASSED
- Motion to Pass Junglesports request by Gina seconded by Leslie PASSED
- Motion pass Headphones by Kayleigh seconded by Joanna PASSED
- Motion to pass Garden by Cheryl Seconded by Sara-Kristin PASSED

Next Meeting June 5th, 2024 - 6:00-8:00 p.m. - Virtual

Motion to end meeting by Kayleigh, Seconded by Cheryl

Meeting adjourned 7:18pm